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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for an Election of Species dated April 19, 2000, the applicants provisionally elect to prosecute the species embodying Species A (Figures 1-3). Claims 1 and 2 read on this species.

If any generic claims are found to be patentable, Applicants will be entitled to consideration of additional species as well. Currently, no claim is generic.

In any event, Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional application directed to the non-elected claims.

Applicants respectfully request an early examination of the elected claims 1 and 2 and favorable action on the merits. If the Examiner has any questions with this Response, please feel free to call the undersigned at the indicated telephone number.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340, along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper.

Respectfully submitted,

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